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Synopsis of State and Intelligence material reported to the President

USSR-ARGENTINA

Soviet First Deputy Premier Mikoyan will follow up his recent visits to Mexico and Cuba with a trip to Argentina for its national independence day celebration on 25 May, according to an Argentine Communist party member. The USSR may also want to participate in the commercial exposition planned on this occasion.

USSR

Khrushchev's illness is apparently genuine. Foreign Minister Gromyko has informed a Western ambassador that Khrushchev was indisposed and a Soviet doctor has told another member of the diplomatic corps that Khrushchev has had severe grippie.

INDONESIA-USSR

A Sukarno-Khrushchev agreement, apparently in addition to the \$250,000,000 credit arrangement initialed during Khrushchev's recent visit, calls for the USSR to supply Indonesia with one cruiser and three or four submarines, ..... say they wish to accept from the USSR only that support which cannot be obtained from the United States. Accordingly, the navy will accept only equipment from the USSR, and will look to the United States for training and for help in building a Sumatran naval base.

BERLIN

Our Berlin Mission reports that at a meeting yesterday with the Chiefs of the Western Military Liaison Missions the Soviets stated that, in light of the upcoming summit conference and in order to maintain a good atmosphere, Moscow had issued instructions to reinstitute the old military liaison passes as the West had requested. It was made clear this measure is temporary pending a solution at the summit of overall problems. The old passes of the officers attending the conference were returned yesterday and the others are scheduled to be returned today (March 14).

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